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The amendment filed October 07, 2003 proposes amendments to claims adding new claims 14-26 that do not comply with 37 CFR 1.173(b), which sets forth the manner of making amendments in reissue applications. A supplemental paper correctly amending the reissue application is required.

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